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DSISD STUDENT PROJECTS PLACE AT STATE SCIENCE FAIR

DRIPPING SPRINGS, Texas—Five Dripping Springs ISD student projects that qualified for the 2014 ExxonMobil Science and Engineering Fair held March 22 in San Antonio earned top-five placements, including one category winner.

Dripping Springs High School senior Piper Reid captured top honors in the High School Physics category with her project “Nova Delphini 2013: Backyard Analysis of a Classical Nova.” She will be competing in the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair in Los Angeles in May.

DSHS freshman Katelynne Marsan’s project, “Effects of Biased Verbal Instructions on Student Performance and Motivation,” placed second in High School Behavioral Sciences. Both Piper and Katelynne were invited to participate in the Governor’s Science and Technology Academy.

Three Dripping Springs Middle School students also were successful at the state competition’s middle school division. Mia Haraguchi placed third in Behavioral Sciences with her project, “Cheating, Motivations and Rewards.” Mark Tressler’s project, “Making Waves,” was third in the Earth Sciences category. Those two students also were Broadcom Award winners, and are invited to participate in the Broadcom Masters Science Contest. Ben Marsan placed fourth in the Computer Science category with his project “Exploring Neural Network Accuracy.”

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